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COMPANY C 19TH SPECIAL FORCES GROUP
3669TH HEAVY EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE COMPANY
1049TH ENGR. DET. (FF)
103D PUBLIC INFORMATION DETACHMENT

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PART 1. -- GENERAL

PART 2. -- PERSONNEL

201. TECHNICIAN VACANCIES.--The following technician vacancies are announced in the Montana Army National Guard. Refer to Technician Vacancy Announcement posted on unit bulletin board for details.

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>GRADE</u>
General Supply Asst	Helena MT	GS-06
Clerk Typist	Helena MT	GS-04
Admin Supply Tech	Helena MT	GS-05
Artillery Repairer	Helena MT	WG-09

PART 3. -- OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

301. EXCESS TEC MATERIAL.--In some cases, TEC lessons have been shipped to units who have no requirement for them; i.e., Field Artillery Howitzer Section Training to Armd Cav Troops. Units receiving TEC material that are not applicable are requested to send this material back to:

DA FILM DIST BRANCH
WAREHOUSE 3, BAY 3
TOBIANA ARMY DEPOT
TOBIANA, PA 18466

302. READINESS GOALS.--a. Indications are that many National Guard commanders believe, erroneously, that the readiness goal of all units is to achieve a readiness condition (Redcon) of C-1 or fully ready.

b. A readiness goal of fully ready (C-1) is applicable only to units organized at an authorized level of organization (ALO) of 1. Due to personnel and equipment limitations, the Army cannot man and equip all units at full wartime requirements. Therefore, some active component and many reserve component units are organized at ALO's less than full wartime authorizations. The readiness goal for these units is to achieve a Redcon equal to assigned ALO. When a unit organized at ALO-3 achieves a Redcon 3, the unit commander has achieved his readiness goal and has accomplished his mission just as well as the commander of an ALO-1 unit that achieves Redcon 1. Any demand or pressure to achieve Redcon higher than ALO is inappropriate and steps must be taken by the chain of command to prevent and prohibit such practices.

c. ALO's for MT ARNG units are as follows:

(1) ALO-1 - N Trp, 163d AC, 3669th Maint Co, 1049th EN Plt and 103d PA Det.

(2) ALO-3 - All other units.



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PART 4. -- SUPPLY

401. WEAPON SYSTEM DESIGNATOR CODES (WSDC) USE.--a. There appears to be some confusion in the field as to the use of WSDC and NORS requisitioning procedures. Some maintenance activities; (1) do not use WSDC for all requisitions; and (2) do not properly code NORS requisitions in order that the logistic system can expedite handling. Do not confuse one system with the other.

b. Weapon System Designator Codes (WSDC) are assigned so that total repair parts requirements can be identified for selected weapons systems. This greatly assists wholesale managers and engineers in evaluating which repair parts need engineering improvements or greater stockage levels to support future requirements. Paragraph 2-18E, AR 710-2 states that all requests for repair parts to support a weapon system will contain the WSDC, regardless of priority. This will provide complete information on repair parts support required for the weapon system. Some personnel have misinterpreted the purpose of the WSDC and the instructions for Not Operational Ready Supply (NORS) coding in paragraph 2-18D, AR 710-2, to mean that only NORS requests require the WSDC. To do so presents an incomplete picture of repair parts requirements to the weapon system manager. It is the intent of AR 710-2 to use the WSDC as frequently as applicable.

c. It should be noted that many repair parts are common to more than one weapon system and, therefore, close coordination is required between mechanic and the repair parts clerk to ensure that the correct WSDC is selected for each request. Some items (VRC 12 radio) do not have WSDC. In this case, the WSDC for the major end item of equipment should be used. For example, if ordering parts for the radio from a M60A2 use "8N" on the requisition. Do not forget to put the WSDC on each work request (DA Form 2407) so support maintenance can identify the appropriate WSDC on its requisitions.

d. These WSDC are listed in Figure 7-2M, Chapter 2, pages 2-42.4 and .5, SOP USPFO MONT. Use them on applicable repair parts requests, as they are designed to assist the wholesale manager in providing better support to the weapons system user.

402. USE OF M880 SERIES TRUCKS.--Commanders are advised that the M880 Series 1-1/4 ton Dodge trucks are tactical vehicles and are issued as such to MTOE mobilization units. These vehicles will be used for authorized training only. They are not administrative use vehicles and will not be used as such.

PART 5. -- FISCAL AND TRANSPORTATION

PART 6. -- MAINTENANCE

601. EQUIPMENT SERVICEABILITY CRITERIA (ESC) POLICY.--Several states have made inquiries to the National Guard Bureau relative to entires on DA Form 2404 when completing ESC's.

"a. Entries in column b DA Form 2404, must show the letter "G" for "GREEN", "A" for "AMBER", or "R" for "RED" for each test or check performed instead of numerical values.

b. The word (GREEN, AMBER or RED) must be recorded in block 10 DA Form 2404 to reflect the current ESC category. In addition, systems evaluation will be recorded as specified in TM 38-750."

602. CHANGE 1 TO TM 3-4240-280-23&P--a. Para 1-7b(7) subject TM states that the canister will be replaced "If the canister has been in service for three years or has been exposed to one ck attack."

b. Request para be deleted. Further instructions are forthcoming in a subsequent change.

603. LICENSING OPERATORS FOR CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND MATERIAL HANDLING EQUIPMENT.--a. TB 600-1, entitled Procedures for Licensing Operators of Equipment Managed by the US Army Mobility Equipment Command, dated 8 May 1970, Training, Testing and Qualifying Operators of Equipment/Systems, Excluding Selected Watercraft and Aircraft, Managed/Supported by US Army Troop Support and Aviation Materiel Readiness Command (TARCOM), Warren, Michigan. The supersession of the 8 May 70 edition of TB 600-1 has left the field Army with no official guidance for licensing operators for construction of materials handling equipment.

b. TARCOM is in the process of developing a new TB to cover the void created by the above supersession. However, it will be several months before the new TB is available. In the meantime, requiring activities are to continue the use of the applicable portions pertaining to construction and materials handling equipment in TB 600-1, dated 8 May 70, until the new TB is available.

PART 7. -- SAFETY

701. SUBMISSION OF DA FORM 285 (ACCIDENT REPORT).--a. Review of DA Forms 285 submitted to the ARNG Safety Officer indicate that a clarification of the requirement to submit the 285 is evident.

b. DA Forms 285 are to be submitted for the following conditions within 21 days following the mishap:

(1) Motor vehicle accidents only when property damage to Army or non-Army totals \$250.00 or more.

(2) Other accidents when property damage totals \$250.00 or more.

(3) All personnel injuries resulting in 1 or more lost workdays (does not include day injury occurred).

(4) ARNG technicians injured on duty resulting in 1 or more lost workdays (does not include day injury occurred).

(5) All occupational illnesses - both M-Day and technician - which occurred as a result of their exposure while on duty. Does not include day illness occurred.

(6) Fatal injuries or illnesses while on duty - both military and ARNG technician.

(7) Natural phenomena (acts of God) resulting in damage to Army property totaling \$250.00 or more.

c. This form does not take the place of Standard Form 91, Operators Report of Vehicle Accident, both forms are required.

PART 8. -- FACILITIES AND SECURITY



PART 9. -- FEDERAL RECOGNITION

901. FEDERAL RECOGNITION.--The following officers received Federal recognition.

BUSHNELL, KENNETH R. CW4 3669th Maint Co	16 Sep 77
GRESS, MARCUS F. CPT HHT(-) 1/163d AC	17 Oct 77
JACOBSON, DONALD A. CPT Co C(-) 5th SF Bn 19th SF Gp	7 Sep 77
JOHNSON, DANIEL A. MAJ SHHD, MT ARNG	15 Nov 77
CLINE, RANDAL C. CW2 Trp N(Air)(-) 163d AC	14 Oct 77
ERP, JOHN S. 1LT Co C(-) 5th SF Bn 19th SF Gp	7 Sep 77
ROYSDON, GLEN D. 2LT Trp A(-) 1/163d AC	9 Sep 77
NEWKIRK, DAVID J. CW3 Trp N(Air)(-) 163d AC	17 Oct 77

902. MT ARNG STRENGTH AS OF 31 JAN 78.

UNIT AND LOCATION	OFF	AUTHORIZED		AGGR	OFF	ASSIGNED		AGGR
		WO	EM/EW			WO	EM/EW	
St Hq & Hq Det	43	9	39	91	39	9	70	118
HHT(-) 163d AC	29	3	123	155	29	2	95	126
Trp N(Air)(-) 163d AC	14	22	89	125	12	21	87	120
Det 1 Trp N 163d AC	2	9	49	60	3	6	50	59
3669th Maint Co(GS)	7	8	107	122	7	8	113	128
103d PA Det	4	-	9	13	3	-	12	15
Det 1 HHT 163d AC	4	18	69	91	9	13	65	87
1049th Engr (FFTG)	1	-	23	24	1	-	17	18
HHT(-) 1/163d AC	15	9	137	161	13	7	104	124
Det 1 HHT 1/163d AC	2	-	50	52	1	-	34	35
Trp A(-) 1/163d AC	3	-	77	80	3	-	51	54
Det 1 Trp A 1/163d AC	2	-	69	71	2	-	31	33
Trp B(-) 1/163d AC	2	-	44	46	2	-	35	37
Det 1, Trp B 1/163d AC	1	-	54	55	1	-	55	56
Det 2, Trp B 1/163d AC	2	-	48	50	2	-	31	33
Trp C(-) 1/163d AC	3	-	77	80	3	-	69	72
Det 1 Trp C 1/163d AC	2	-	69	71	1	-	32	33
Co D(-) 1/163d AC	3	-	56	59	3	-	40	43
Det 1, Co D 1/163d AC	2	-	38	40	2	-	22	24
How Btry(-) 1/163d AC	6	-	49	55	4	-	46	50
Det 1, HB 1/163d AC	2	-	62	64	2	-	44	46
HHT(-) 2/163d AC	15	9	137	161	15	7	118	140
Det 1, HHT 2/163d AC	2	-	50	52	1	-	49	50
Trp E(-) 2/163d AC	3	-	77	80	3	-	38	41
Det 1, Trp E 2/163d AC	2	-	69	71	2	-	42	44
Trp F(-) 2/163d AC	3	-	77	80	3	-	62	65
Det 1, Trp F 2/163d AC	2	-	69	71	2	-	63	65
Trp G(-) 2/163d AC	3	-	77	80	2	-	54	56
Det 1, Trp G 2/163d AC	2	-	69	71	2	-	64	66
Co H 2/163d AC	5	-	94	99	5	-	43	48
How Btry 2/163d AC	8	-	111	119	7	-	91	98
Co C(-) 5th SF Bn	9	-	57	66	9	-	49	58
Det 1, Co C 5th SF Bn	5	-	25	30	5	-	26	31
HHD 6th SF Bn	7	-	11	18	7	-	16	23
	<u>215</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>2,261</u>	<u>2,563</u>	<u>205</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>1,818</u>	<u>2,096</u>